**Bruning Calls for Accountability in Target Data Breach** 

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LINCOLN – Attorney General Bruning today announced Nebraska joined with other state attorneys general to gather information on the recent Target data breach.

"Nebraskans shouldn't suffer financial fallout from a retailer's lack of security and oversight," said Bruning. "Last year, our office helped draft and support LB 61 to add a layer of accountability when consumer information is compromised by data breaches. If that legislation had passed, Target would be required to provide information about Nebraskans affected by this event. With approximately 40 million Americans affected, this breach is exactly why LB 61 was created. Companies must be held accountable for protecting consumer information."

Introduced in January 2013 by State Senator John Murante of Gretna, LB 61 requires businesses to notify the Attorney General's Office of data breaches involving Nebraskans. The bill was in review by the Nebraska Legislature Judiciary Committee when the body adjourned sine die in June.

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